Shabbat School Devarim: Bereshit "in the beginning"

SUBJECT

TEACHER

HEBREW DATE

DATE

The Beginning of Time

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OVERVIEW: WE LIVE IN TIME

TEACHER GUIDE

STUDENT GUIDE

INTRODUCTION "OPENING" 5 MINUTES	Say to them: "Shalom Yeladim" (sha-LOAM Ye-la-DEEM). Tell them how to respond: Shalom Morim	Say Shema, Pledge of Allegiance. What does the word merachaphet mean?
IDENTITY: B'NEI ISRAEL/BRIT AHM 5 MINUTES	Hebrew: Part of Speech: Verb Transliteration: rachaph Pronunciation: rah-khaf' KJV: flutter, move, shake When G-D returns will you be ready?!"	Where did you come from?
IDENTITY: HEARER OF G-D'S WORD 5 MINUTES	Read Portions: Bereshit 1:1-31 (1:1-31) Yesha'yahu 42:5-43:10 (42:5-10) Mattiyahu 1:1-17 (1:16-17) Learn our memory verse for the year 5786.>>	Memory Verse: Yeshayahu 41:10 ¹⁰ Fear not, for I am with you, be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you. Surely I will help you. I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.
IDENTITY: BELIEVER OF G-D'S WORD 5 MINUTES	Ask: What do you believe?	Discuss: What is a Messianic worldview?
IDENTITY: FOLLOWER OF G-D'S WORD 5 MINUTES	Ask: What is coming for those who believe?	Discuss: What are we shaped to do?

IDENTITY: DOER OF G-D'S WORD 5 MINUTES	Who we are is largely dependent upon what we do; we are peculiar and follow HIS narrow path.	Ask: What does Yeshua's birth have in common with the biblical festival Sukkot? What does it common with Bereshit?
GAME/ACTIVITY	Bereshit Blessings	<the beginning="" everything?<="" of="" td=""></the>
HOMEWORK 3 MINUTES	Our letter of the month of Teitzei is resh. Look around shul for something that begins with the resh sound; "Shavua tov, until next week!"	Close with prayer: say out loud what you are grateful for and things you need prayer for today.

NEED RESOURCES NOTES

Bible
Pledges & Shema
Rabbi's Drash:
Shabbat Guide
The first goal is to approach all scripture with humility and prayer.

Perspective is a very useful thing. Perspective is how we see the world, and how we think about the information that we hear, the information that we see, and how we interpret our experiences. Bereshit is the perspective through which all believers should look at life and what it is about. We read:

¹In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

It tells us G-D is the author of all we have around us. Everything we experience in this life was created by HIM. It is the perspective by which we can consider the authenticity of science, medicine, and social justice. It is the first, and the last, perspective by which everything else is defined. Our entire existence is dependent upon G-D and the laws HE set forth to govern the universe. Whether or not we see that from our perspective or not:

¹In the beginning was the Word. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was with God in the beginning. ³All things were made through Him, and apart from Him nothing was made that has come into being. ⁴In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.